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Disciplinary Actions - November 2007

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ACCUSATION

Action Date	Respondent Name	RN Number
11/14/2007	BALES, JENNIFER LYNN	RN 583667
11/19/2007	BALKE, SANDRA JEAN	RN 413061
11/14/2007	BELTZ, DONALD ROBERT	RN 480807
11/8/2007	DINENNA, VICTORIA L	RN 655492
11/14/2007	GORTON, JEANETTE COLLEEN	RN 294998
11/14/2007	HOPKINS, DEBORAH DARLENE	RN 456937
11/14/2007	JUNG, RICHARD BROOKS	RN 518836
11/20/2007	KEJMAR, STACEY M	RN 620931
11/9/2007	LINDBERG, CATHERINE KAZUE	RN 358346
11/13/2007	MCHUGH JR, MICHAEL PAUL	RN 638754
11/9/2007	MEDLIN, CHAD	RN 277381
11/5/2007	ONAT, TRACY RENE'	RN 630087
11/19/2007	SCAMMAHORN, STEPHANY KATHAL	RN 635013
11/9/2007	SCANLON, CAROL JANE	RN 620046
11/19/2007	STEWART-YOUNG, KAREN JOY	RN 222236
11/9/2007	WELLS, CATHERINE JUNE	RN 566623
11/8/2007	ZONDORGH, HONZ	RN 544494

ACCUSATION & PETITION TO REVOKE PROBATION FILED

Action Date	Respondent Name	RN Number
11/15/2007	BARTOK, STEPHANIE SUZANNE	RN 536461

PETITION TO REVOKE PROBATION FILED

Action Date	Respondent Name	RN Number
11/5/2007	BOEVER, JOSEPH PAUL	RN 675801
11/9/2007	BOYCE, LYNN GAIL	RN 279441

PETITION TO REVOKE PROBATION FILED (Cont.)

Action Date	Respondent Name	RN Number
11/13/2007	BRITAIN, DAWN PEARL	RN 498319
11/14/2007	MATHA, LEONA MARY	RN 522065
11/27/2007	SLOAN, LINDA L	RN 335274
11/24/2007	VARALLO, LYNN ADELE	RN 411880

PROBATION EXTENDED ONE YEAR

Action Date	Respondent Name	RN Number
11/3/2007	PADOR, GAY-PURA MABASA	RN 504479

PROBATION EXTENDED THREE YEARS

Action Date	Respondent Name	RN Number
11/2/2007	THAYER, HAROLD BROOKS JR	RN 417887

REVOKED

Action Date	Respondent Name	RN Number
11/18/2007	ALLEN, NICHOLAS PAUL	RN 625579
11/4/2007	ARMSTRONG, CARRIE S	RN 630182
11/9/2007	BOUND, PAMELA JO	RN 455694
11/4/2007	BRAZIL, TINA KAY	RN 572455
11/4/2007	BROWN, VALERIE	RN 356163
11/4/2007	CAROTHERS-TAYLOR, MARIE ANN	RN 514257
11/5/2007	COMBE, SUSAN	RN 612433
11/2/2007	EASON, WALTER DAVID	RN 605403
11/2/2007	HABERMAN, JENNIFER GOSS	RN 529012
11/2/2007	JONES, SANDRA LEE	RN 353094
11/1/2007	JONES, TINA VERONICA	RN 525599
11/3/2007	LEONARD, ARLENE	RN 511240
11/14/2007	MANNING, GARY LYNN	RN 301677
11/12/2007	MILLER, JULIE ANN	RN 301978
11/12/2007	MILLER, ROBERT L	RN 219736
11/12/2007	MOLINA, SUSAN CAROL	RN 587243
11/15/2007	NEWELL, CONNIE C	RN 387168
11/6/2007	RICE, JUDITH SPENCER	RN 320930
11/10/2007	SURMANN, CINDY KAREN	RN 484361
11/3/2007	WINDELL, LAURA	RN 459001

REVOCATION STAYED LICENSE PROBATION ONLY

Action Date	Respondent Name	RN Number
11/5/2007	BAXTER, MELISSA ANN	RN 328088
11/4/2007	BEUCLER, SUSAN ANN	RN 455547
11/22/2007	BITANGA, ROCEEH R	RN 598224
11/22/2007	COKER, VANESSA ANN	RN 613833
11/23/2007	COLOMBANI, JAIME	RN 487431
11/18/2007	CONBOY, RACHELE NICHOLE	RN 663395
11/30/2007	GONZALES, ANTHONY P	RN 643879
11/30/2007	HOFFMANN, LYNN MARIE	RN 425202
11/2/2007	HUBBARD, GWENDOLYN	RN 490750
11/1/2007	KLEESE, RHONDA LEE	RN 600714
11/26/2007	MIRANDA, DAVID FRANK	RN 600687
11/10/2007	REYES, REBECCA S	RN 489403

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

Action Date	Respondent Name	RN Number
11/9/2007	CLARK, DEANA L	RN 595844
11/2/2007	FAIRMAN, PENNY LEA	RN 345528
11/2/2007	GUTIERREZ, PATRICIA D	RN 576882
11/12/2007	MILLER, MARIA R	RN 124526

ORDER TO ISSUE CONDITIONAL LICENSE

Action Date	Respondent Name	RN Number
11/29/2007	THOMPSON, STACY LYNN	0
11/16/2007	WINTER, SHERI ANN	0

LICENSE DENIED

Action Date	Respondent Name	RN Number
11/18/2007	JENKINS, TINA	0

DISCIPLINE TERMINOLOGY

ACCUSATION: An Accusation is a legal document formally charging a registered nurse with a violation(s) of the Nursing Practice Act, and notifying the public that a disciplinary action is pending against that nurse.

CONVICTED OF A CRIME SUBSTANTIALLY RELATED TO THE QUALIFICATIONS, FUNCTIONS, AND DUTIES OF AN RN: Can apply to such crimes as embezzlement, child abuse, spousal abuse, battery, theft from a patient or client, or failure to report abuse. This list is for illustration only and is not all-inclusive of the acts for which the Board may discipline an RN's license.

DEFAULT DECISION: A decision based on the RN's failure to provide a notice of defense after an accusation has been served, or failure to be present at an Administrative Hearing. All charges are deemed true, and the default decision normally results in a revocation of the RN's license. Board members may vote to adopt or reject a default decision, or discuss it further before making a final decision.

EFFECTIVE (DATE): Indicates the date the disciplinary action goes into operation.

GROSS NEGLIGENCE: An extreme departure from the standard of practice for RNs. An extreme departure means the repeated failure to provide the required nursing care or failure to provide care or exercise precaution in a single situation which the nurse knew, or should have known, could result in patient harm.

INCOMPETENCE: Lack of knowledge or skill in discharging professional obligations as an RN.

INTERIM SUSPENSION ORDER: A license is suspended by an Administrative Law Judge due to the seriousness of the allegations in advance of the filing of an accusation and pending a final determination of the licensee's fitness to practice and provide nursing care.

LICENSE DENIED: The Board denied an initial license application.

ORDER TO ISSUE CONDITIONAL LICENSE: The Board grants an initial license application. Once licensed, the applicant is placed on probation, and must be monitored by the Board for a set period of time.

PC 23: Under California Penal Code Section 23, during a criminal proceeding, a judge may order that a licensee be suspended from practice as a registered nurse, or restricted in how he or she may practice registered nursing.

PETITION TO REVOKE PROBATION FILED: The Board is filing charges to revoke a licensee's probation for violating the terms and conditions of his or her probation.

PROBATION: Allows the licensee to practice as an RN under certain restrictions for a set period of time.

PROPOSED DECISION: A decision rendered by an Administrative Law Judge through an Administrative Hearing. A proposed decision has to be adopted by the majority of the Board's members before it can go into effect. The Board members may vote to adopt or reject a Proposed Decision, or discuss it further before making a final decision.

PUBLIC REPRIMAND: The Board issued a letter of reprimand for a minor violation the Nursing Practice Act, with no restrictions on the license.

REVOCATION STAYED, PROBATION: The Board revoked an RN license, stayed (i.e. temporarily set aside) the revocation, and allowed the licensee to practice as an RN with a restricted license under terms and condtions of probation. While on probation, the RN must be monitored by the Board for a set period of time.

REVOCATION STAYED, SUSPENSION, PROBATION: The Board revokes a license. However, the revocation is "stayed" or temporarily set aside, pending successful completion of probation. If the licensee violates probation, the Board may lift the "stay" and revoke the license.

REVOKED/SURRENDERED LICENSE: The Board revoked the license and the licensee no longer has the right to practice as an RN or to use the title.

STATEMENT OF ISSUES: A Statement of Issues is a legal document, formally charging an applicant for initial licensure, with a violation(s) of the Nursing Practice Act, and notifying the public that a disciplinary action is pending against the applicant.

STAYED: The Board has temporarily set aside an order with the understanding that that the order will take effect if the licensee fails to fulfills certain conditions or if the licensee once again violates the Nursing Practices Act.

STIPULATED AGREEMENT: A licensee facing disciplinary action by the Board may negotiate a settlement or "stipulated agreement." The stipulated agreement is similar to an out-of court settlement in civil suits. The Board must vote to approve all stipulated agreements.

SUPPLEMENTAL/AMENDED ACCUSATION FILED: Additional information or amendments have been made to a previously filed accusation.

SUSPENSION: The Board has ordered the licensee not to practice as a registered nurse for a set or indefinite period of time. Suspensions may be imposed in disciplinary actions, prior to a probation term, or may be imposed as the result of a violation of probation.

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER: The licensee has surrendered the license as a resolution to a disciplinary matter. The individual can no longer practice nursing in California.

WRIT: A licensee files an appeal in Superior Court asking the court to overturn the Board's disciplinary decision.